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**Box PATENT APPLICATION**  
**Assistant Commissioner for Patents**  
**Washington, D.C. 20231**

Re: New U.S. Patent Application  
(based on Provisional Appln. No. 60/159,507)  
Title: RAPID DEPLOYMENT HAZMANT CONTAINMENT DEVICE  
Inventor: Richard A. ESSER

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 17 pages, including 2 independent claims and 20 claims total.
2. Drawings - 9 sheets of informal drawings (Figures 1 - 12).
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status.
5. Please charge the filing fee of \$355.00 for this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Applicant claims the right to priority based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60/159,507 filed October 15, 1999.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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